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Dear Josh:

I was very much interested in your memorandum on Cosmic Microbiology, and share your concern over what may soon become a lost opportunity. I will call Dean Cowie as you suggest, but I agree with you that the best approach to this is by way of the National Academy of Sciences or the NRC. I will, of course, be glad to do anything I can in this connection; but at the moment I am not clear as to just how to apply the weight of the SAB, for whatever that may be worth. Dean Cowie is out of town, but I will, in the meantime, write a letter to Dr. Bronk as president, endorsing your position, and seconding your letter.

incerely yours,

Harry Eagle, M.D.

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cc: Dr. P. W. Wilson Dr. E. M. Foster